

News from the Home Field.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

PERSONAL.—Rev. C. L. Ingles, of Drummondville, Diocese of Niagara, has been visiting Dorchester, and other parts of New Brunswick. Mr. Ingles is a son of one of the old S. P. G. missionaries, an account of whose interesting visit to Cape Breton in 1825 we lately published. He is a Nova Scotian by birth, and graduated at Windsor in 1845.

The Rev. Dr. Tatlock, of Stamford, Conn., one of the leading Connecticut clergy, and a Deputy to the General Convention, has been visiting St. John, accompanied by his family.

Rev. Canon Scovil and family left St. John for England on the 23rd, via Rimouski.

SHEDIAC.—The Bishop-Coadjutor has spent three days in the Parish of Shediac, arriving on Friday, Sept. 3rd, and leaving Monday, Sept. 5th. On Sunday morning, he inducted the Rev. H. H. Barber, delivering an address, which was pronounced a most admirable and thoughtful one, on the relations that should exist between pastor and people. The Rev. J. H. Talbot, of Springfield, and Rev. O. S. Newnam, of Point DuChene, who had closed his Church for the morning service, assisted the Rector. In the evening, the Bishop preached, and one person, a deaf-mute, was confirmed. Before his departure, he inspected St. Andrew's Church, Point DuChene.

SUSSEX.—Handsome standards and lamps have been placed in Trinity Church, purchased by the Ladies' Sewing Society.

MONCTON.—The Coadjutor-Bishop visited this Parish on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 5th, 6th and 7th, held a Confirmation service, when 13 received the "Laying-On-of-Hands," and took part in the Deanery Meeting, which was in progress. His Lordship also held a reception at the house of the Hon. Judge Botsford, where he was personally made acquainted with the members of the congregation. The Confirmation Service, on the evening of the 5th, was particularly interesting and attractive, besides his Lordship there being eight of the clergy present. The Church was beautifully decorated, the singing admirable, the congregation very large, and the Bishop's addresses to the candidates full of kind and earnest warning and advice. On the morning of the 6th, an Early Communion Service was held at 8 o'clock, when the Bishop preached a very beautiful and impressive sermon on nearness to Christ, from the words "which also leaned on His breast at supper." All the clergy were present, and together with forty-eight of the faithful laity partook of the Holy Sacrament. It gave great satisfaction to both the Rector and his people, that the Coadjutor-Bishop was able to spend a little while in the Parish; and having made his personal acquaintance, the people are loud in their praises of his friendly and attractive manner, and his other excellent qualities, and deeply grateful that their beloved Metropolitan has secured such an able and agreeable assistant. The Parish is in every way gaining strength and influence in the community, and, with the hearty support which the Rector receives from the members of his congregation, still greater growth may be looked for as the result of faithful work.

DEANERY OF SHEDIAC.—The Chapter of the Deanery met at Moncton, Sept. 6th, 1881. Present, all the members of the Deanery, and the Rev. J. H. Talbot, Rector of Springfield. The Rural Dean welcomed the Bishop Coadjutor in the name of the Deanery, to which the Bishop replied, and then retired during the Session of the Chapter. The Rev. H. H. Barber was elected a member of the Executive Committee of the "Choir Union" in place of Rev. O. S. Newnam, about to leave the Deanery. The choir festival was postponed until All Saints' Day. A letter from the Secretary of the Bray Associates was read, authorizing the Bishop to act for them in the matter of the Library, and a letter from the Bishop, ordering its removal to Dorchester. The affiliation fee was ordered to be paid to the Secretary of the C. of E. S. S. Institute in England, and the Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath was recommended for appointment as Local Secretary. The Rev. O. S. Newnam was elected an Honorary Member, he being about to remove to St. John. The next meeting was appointed at Shediac, Nov. 30th.

DORCHESTER.—The annual Sunday School Picnic and Festival was held on the 14th inst., at Rocklyn, the grounds of Mrs. Chandler, relict of the late Lt. Governor Chandler. The children and their parents and friends turned out in great force, and enjoyed themselves to their heart's content. At five o'clock, a Service was held in the Church, which was crowded. The singing of the children, under the leadership of Mrs. E. B. Chandler, was much above the average, and the Rector's address most admirable. After Service the children adjourned to the School House, where tables crowded with good things, had been provided, and where full justice was done everything. After some further amusements, the children retired to their respective homes well pleased with the S. S. treat, and looking forward with keen interest to the next one.

SAINTE GEORGE AND PENNFIELD.—The Right Rev. Coadjutor Bishop arrived in St. George on Saturday, the 10th inst., having been brought from St. Andrews by George S. Grimmer, Esq. His Lordship was suffering from a sore throat, having caught cold on his journey. In the evening a reception was held at the Rectory, when many of the parishioners were introduced to the Bishop. He had a hard day's work on Sunday, which was as follows: Holy Communion at 8 o'clock a. m.; the Bishop Celebrant; Morning Prayer and Confirmation at 11 o'clock at St. George; Morning Prayer and Confirmation at Pennfield at 3 o'clock, and Evening Service at St. George, when the Bishop preached. At the Holy Communion, the responses to Commandments and "Gloria in Excelsis" were chanted, and Hymn No 211 in "Church Hymns"—"Jesus, to Thy Table led"—was sung after the consecration, and "Nunc Dimittis" as a recessional. After the preface in the Order of Confirmation was read, His Lordship addressed the candidates most impressively as well as practically, and again after the question "Do ye here?" etc. He followed this plan in both parishes. Twenty-one persons of varying ages, including some adults, were Confirmed in St. George, and sixteen in Pennfield, of ages from 13 to 60 years—making 37 candidates in the Mission. Two or three were unavoidably absent who had attended the Rector's classes. There were between 30 and 40 communicants at the early service, and large congregations present at the other services. Pennfield Church was filled to its utmost capacity. The parishioners had lately covered the aisles of their church with linoleum, costing some \$40, which adds much to the comfort and appearance of their neat and pretty church. The Bishop congratulated them on the state of their church and Sunday School, which numbers eighty scholars on their register. The class in Pennfield embraced several men and young men and women, all of whom seemed deeply impressed with the service and the addresses of the Bishop. In the evening he preached from the text (Psalms xci. 1), "Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High shall abide under the Shadow of the Almighty," bringing out the sense of the Hebrew very beautifully, showing the difference between making a choice of serving God and of being compelled to do so, from the meaning of the original of the words "dwelleth" and "abide," the one referring to choosing a pasturage in the day-time, the other to eastern shepherds being obliged to stop suddenly when night set in. The people seemed much pleased with our new Bishop, and listened to his able and solemn addresses with rapt attention, and we hope and think that an impression has been made on candidates and people, which will be lasting, and productive of much good. On Monday morning, the Bishop left for St. Patrick's under a very heavy rain, taking with him the good wishes of Rector and parishioners of St. George and Pennfield.

ST. DAVID AND ST. PATRICK.—The first Confirmation in St. Patrick for many years was held on Monday, Sept. 12th. The Rt. Rev. H. Tully Kingdon, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor, arrived in the midst of a pouring rain, about noon, after a rough drive from St. George. At 3 o'clock, p. m., Evensong was said in the Church, followed by the Confirmation of 7 candidates. His Lordship addressed the candidates, earnestly urging them to continue as they had begun, and not to stop short at Confirmation. Owing to the unfavourable weather, the congregation was small, and several candidates living at a distance were unable to be present. After Service, the Bishop was driven to Oak Bay, St. David, by the Missionary. On Tuesday morning, the day dawned bright and beautiful; and, long before the appointed hour, a large congregation assembled at the Parish Church. At 10 a. m. the Bishop and clergy entered the Chancel, and the Bishop, sitting in his chair before the Altar, instituted and collated the Rev. J. W. Millidge into the Rectory of St. David with St. Patrick. Matins was then said by the Rev. J. Rushton, Rector of St. Stephen, after which the office of Confirmation followed, the Rector reading the exhortation. His Lordship forcibly addressed the candidates, before and after the Laying on of Hands, on the subject of the indwelling of the Holy Ghost and the consequent growth and deepening of the spiritual life. Twenty-three candidates were presented for the Holy Rite. Much credit is due to Mr. and Mrs. Gaskell, and the members of the choir, for the excellent rendering of the musical portion of the service. In the evening the Bishop, though much fatigued, accompanied the Rector to Lower Hill, a station 8 miles distant, where he preached an eloquent sermon on the text, "Are the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret thing with thee?" A collection amounting to \$3.52 was taken up in aid of the funds of the S. P. G. This ended, in the words of a lady parishioner, "a bright day in our lives." The following day His Lordship left St. David for St. Stephen.

ST. STEPHEN.—The Bishop Coadjutor arrived in St. Stephen on Wednesday afternoon. At 7.30 p. m. Evensong was said in Christ Church; "Onward, Christian Soldiers," was sung as a processional hymn. The Dean Rural, the Rev. R. E. Smith, said the prayers. The first lesson was read by the Rev. J. W. Norwood, Rector of Calais, Maine, and the second lesson by the Rev. J. W. Millidge. His Lordship preached an eloquent sermon on I. Corinthians xiv. 23-25, in which he urged upon the congregation the fundamental effect of our Church's

Services—the worship of Almighty God. After the sermon the hymn "Holy offerings rich and rare" was sung, during which the offerings of the people on behalf of the D. C. S. were received and presented. After the service, a number of the congregation, at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Rushton, met His Lordship at the Rectory.

ST. ANDREWS.—The Right Rev. Dr. Kingdon, Bishop Coadjutor, made his first visit to St. Andrews, on the 9th inst., and preached at All Saints' Church, on the evening of this day. After a visit for Confirmation in the neighbouring Parishes, Bishop Kingdon returned to St. Andrews on Thursday, when he left by the steamer for St. John. The Most Rev. the Metropolitan arrived at St. Andrews on Saturday evening, the 17th. On Sunday morning there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Parish Church at 8 o'clock. Morning Prayer was said at 11, when the Bishop Confirmed forty persons. He addressed those Confirmed and the congregation generally, on the responsibilities and trials of the Christian life. His Lordship preached at the Evening Service, on the subject of the text and different versions of Holy Scripture. On Tuesday morning he went to Campobello.

SIMONDS.—The Bishop Coadjutor returned to St. John, on Saturday, Sept. 17th, and on Sunday held Confirmation at Golden Grove and Black River. The Rev. Canon Scovil assisted the Rector, Rev. Geo. Schofield. At Golden Grove 20, and at Black River 25, received the "Laying On of Hands," and were addressed by Dr. Kingdon.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.—St. George's.—On the morning of Sunday last the Lord Bishop held an Ordination Service in this Church, when J. Lowry, B. A., Geo. D. Peters, B. A., W. H. Sampson, and H. Hancock, S. A. C., were admitted into Deacon's Orders, and the Rev. John Partridge was Ordained to the Priesthood. A large congregation took part in the impressive service. The Bishop's sermon was an able setting forth of the office and work of the Ministry. The Archdeacon presented the candidates, and the Revs. J. D. H. Browne and H. P. Higginson, assisted in the service. Mr. Lowry read the Gospel. Of the newly-ordained, Mr. Lowry goes to assist Rev. R. Jamison at Ship Harbor, Mr. Peters becomes assistant to Rev. J. O. Ruggles at Kentville and Wolfville, Mr. Sampson assumes the position of second curate at St. Paul's, Halifax, and Mr. Hancock is to do duty at St. George's Halifax, until a Rector is elected.

NEW ROSS.—Thursday, the 8th, was a pleasant, successful day in this place. A cool North-Wester had removed all the sultriness and smoke of the previous afternoon, and the weather was truly delightful. From 10 o'clock a. m. began the influx of visitors from every surrounding district to attend the annual picnic of Christ Church Sunday School. Dinner from 11.30 a. m. to 1 p. m. was prepared for them, and a goodly number availed themselves thereof. At 1 p. m. short Evensong was said in the church, after which Co. K, 1st R. R., headed by Capt. Louisa Corkum, formed into double line, distinguished from other children present by badges, and each officer uniformed according to rank. With banners flying, as the Missionary played a lively march on his cabinet organ in front of the parsonage, the long procession filed into the parsonage grounds, and were soon dismissed to enjoy themselves. At 4 p. m., the Sunday School, fully 86 in number, gathered around a bountiful tea table, sang the *Gloria Patri*, and sat down to partake of what kind hands had prepared for them. Tea was served afterwards, from 4.30 to 6 p. m., for the visitors, and in the evening a large number remained to enjoy themselves with music and other amusements. Through the afternoon an inviting refreshment stand, in charge of Miss Rebecca Keddy, was effectually swept of its delicacies. The best order and harmony of feeling prevailed up to 10.45 p. m., the time of separation, and all went home evidently satisfied and happy. Besides the Sunday School, nearly 200 visitors were present, and about \$54.00 were realized. After deductions for instalment on the Gates organ and insurance of parsonage, over \$36.00 will be left for the much needed east window.

LOWER STEWIAKKE.—The Rev. J. C. Cox conducted Divine Services, very acceptable at this place, morning and evening last Sunday. The Church was well filled at both services. All seemed pleased, and inclined to forget that we have had so few services the past year, and look forward with pleasing anticipation for a revival of Church work in this place. There is plenty of room for, and great need of, the blessed teachings of the English Church. This might be a prosperous and thriving community if we only could keep our people home, and when home to learn and put into practice the following instructive sentence from the Church Catechism:—"To learn and labour truly to get mine own living, and to do my duty in that state of life unto which it shall please God to call me." If we will but carry out this teaching in its spirit, as well as in the letter, our young people, yes, and old people, too, could gather up gold in Nova Scotia or in Stewiacke, where only silver could be found in the States. I write what I know, as I spent a large portion of my life in the States. I am no letter writer, as you will readily see, but wish I

was, I could but help to make a better paper, a better Church, a better family, a better community; but as a mechanic, with but little time for letter writing, please receive my mite with the best wishes for your prosperity; and with the hope that your paper may find a home in Lower Stewiacke, English Settlement, Shubenacadie, Dutch Settlement and Riverside, all belonging to this Mission. Mr. Cox also held services on Sunday at Dutch Settlement, 12 miles from here. I believe it is the home of a very clever people, who are very anxious for regular services to be held there, as, indeed, I may say, is the feeling in all the places, and I know an earnest Minister, believing faithfully in the Master's promise,—*I am with you always, even unto the end of the world*,—must do good.—COM.

CHESTER.—Those of the GUARDIAN's readers who take an interest in this parish—and I think there must be many amongst our numerous summer visitors who do so—will be glad to learn that our bazaar, of which notice was given in a former number, and which came off on the 18th and 19th of August, was quite a success. At one time we feared a complete failure, owing to the unfavourable state of the weather, which, doubtless, caused our profits to be somewhat smaller than they would otherwise have been; but, on the whole, we have reason to be satisfied and thankful for the result. The net profits, after paying expenses, amount in round numbers to about \$270, which will clear off the load of debt which has been weighing on us so heavily for the last five or six years, and leaves us about twenty dollars towards shingling the Rectory, of which it is very much in need. Too much praise cannot be given to some of the ladies of the parish for the way in which they have worked to accomplish this object. The Sewing Circle, formed about a year ago, has since that time raised somewhat over \$320, and the number attending it has not been large, several of those who first joined having been away from home all winter and spring; but those in attendance have worked faithfully, and well earned the vote of thanks which was tendered them by the Vestry at a recent meeting. Having thus got our old debt wiped off, and got a clear start once more, we hope to be able to keep clear and to pay as we go in future; and the Circle, we hope, when formed again after a little rest, will go to work with a new energy for a pleasanter object, viz., that of building a chancel to our church. The children of the Sunday School had their annual treat on Thursday, the 8th inst., in the shape of a picnic, held on Mr. Whitford's grounds, where all seemed to enjoy to the utmost the bright day and the good fare which was provided them, the pleasure of the children being not a little enhanced by the music with which some of the members of the Chester Band kindly furnished us. We have divided the School this summer and started a branch one at East Chester, two miles from the village, so that our numbers were not quite so large as they would have been, as the Eastern School intend holding their picnic nearer home on Tuesday, the 13th inst. Our new roll-book, however, numbers 100, and that at the Eastward 22, besides two other Schools on the Western Shore, one eight and the other eleven miles from town.

GLACE BAY MISSION.—Christ Church, South Head, Cow Bay.—A service of more than ordinary interest was held in this Church on the morning of the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity. Two ladies (sisters, the one an invalid,) communicants of the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Paddington, London, England, having presented to Christ Church an altar, with its appropriate hangings and ornaments, the day above mentioned was appointed for the solemn dedication of the gifts to the use of the Sanctuary. Notwithstanding that the sky was threatening, with occasional showers, a large congregation had assembled at the Church at the hour appointed. The Incumbent of the Mission, Rev. C. Croucher, Rural Dean, was assisted by the Rev. C. W. McCully, Deacon-in-charge of the Mission of Louisburg. The services commenced at half-past ten o'clock. Whilst the Procession Hymn, "Veni Creator," was being sung by the choir, the clergy proceeded from the Vestry to the Sanctuary. The Altar had previously been placed in proper position, but denuded of its hangings, the Altar Cross, Vases, and Candlesticks occupied positions on the Credence Table. The Processional Hymn concluded, the Incumbent of the Mission addressed the congregation as follows:—"Dearly-beloved Brethren, Let us beseech the mercy of God, the Father Almighty, that He, hearkening to our cry, may sanctify with His blessing this Altar, now to be dedicated for spiritual sacrifices, that He may ever vouchsafe to bless and hallow the offerings of His servants, placed thereon in devout reverence for Him, and well pleased with that spiritual incense, may be ready to hearken to His people, as they make their prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth, &c." "V. The Lord," &c. "R. And with," &c. The Altar was then blessed, and with prayer set apart and dedicated for celebrating the saving mysteries of redemption. The Altar was then vested with its hangings, the choir-singing part of the hymn, "We love the place," the candlesticks placed upon it, and the vases containing handsome bouquets of flowers placed upon the table; these ornaments having been first also blessed and solemnly dedicated; and lastly the Altar Cross having been blessed and solemnly dedicated separately, was placed in its proper position on the table. At the conclusion of these services, the clergy returned to